**Mr. Krishnappa.—**

Government have stated some time ago that an official could be retained in a place for not more than 5 years if his service is satisfactory. Which is the correct practice—3 years or 5 years?

**President.—**

There is no such definite rule.

**Mr. Krishnappa.—**

Is there any difficulty if a man is kept on for more than 5 years in the same place?

**President.—**

It is not possible to say.

MR. M. RAMA DAS (Hiriyur Taluk).—

*Q.*—47. Will the Govèrnment be pleased to state:—

(1) What was the number of villages in the State which had been included in the first list prepared according to the Compulsory Education Scheme of 1914?

(2) Out of these, how many relate to the Chitaldrug District?

(3) Are there any improvements made on the scheme, since its introduction in 1914?

(4) Will it be possible to furnish the principles underlying the scheme?

(5) What are the measures adopted by Government to bring into force the system when it has been introduced?

(6) Are the Government aware of the action taken against the parents of the children who go against the rules prescribed under the system?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.—

*A.*—47. (1) No village was included in the first list prepared according to the Compulsory Education Scheme of 1914. The scheme was restricted to 15 towns in the first instance.

(2) Two of these towns are in the Chitaldrug District, *i.e.*, Chitaldrug and Davangere.

(3) If by improvement on the scheme is meant the progress made in the application of the scheme, so far as

the Chitaldrug District is concerned, the number of Compulsory Education Centres has been increased since 1914 from 2 to 23 which included all the 9 taluk headquarter towns of the district and 14 villages.

(4) The principle underlying the scheme is embodied in Elementary Education Regulation, No. V of 1913, *viz.*, Extension of Elementary Education.

(5) The measures adopted by Government to bring into force the system when introduced are set forth in the Government Notification No. 2359--Edn. 129-21-2, dated 19th December 1921.

(6) Yes. Warnings have been issued to parents in some cases.

*Supplementary Questions and Answers.*

**Mr. Rama Das.—**

Were not 1,000 villages included in the list prepared in 1914?

**Third Member of Council.—**

No. There are altogether only 250 towns and villages included till now.

**Mr. Gurumurthiachar.—**

Why were not some more villages included under the Compulsory Scheme in 1914?

**Third Member of Council.—**

What is the use of asking that question now?

**Mr. Basappa Chetty.—**

Will the Scheme of Compulsory Education be introduced in some more places now?

**Third Member of Council.—**

Do the people agree to bear a portion of the cost?

**Mr. Anekal Srinivasa Iyengar.—**

Would Government open schools in places where they are necessary?

**Third Member of Council.—**

If compulsory education is to be introduced anywhere in future, the local authorities must undertake a part of the financial responsibility.